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RE: **DOCKET NO. 326** - The Connecticut Light and Power Company application for a Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need for the construction, maintenance, and operation of a proposed substation located at Stepstone Hill Road, Guilford, Connecticut.

Dear Attorneys Fitzgerald, Golden and Dubuque:

The Connecticut Siting Council (Council) requests your responses to the enclosed questions no later than April 11, 2007. To help expedite the Council's review, please file responses as soon as they are available.

Please forward an original and 20 copies to this office. In accordance with the State Solid Waste Management Plan, the Council is requesting that all filings be submitted on recyclable paper, primarily regular weight white office paper. Please avoid using heavy stock paper, colored paper, and metal or plastic binders and separators. Fewer copies of bulk material may be provided as appropriate.

Yours very truly,

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**Docket No. 326: CL&P Stepstone Substation
Pre-Hearing Interrogatories, Set One**

1. On page F-3, Volume I of The Connecticut Light and Power Company's (CL&P) Application for a Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need (Application), it states, "Development of the Substation requires protective relay system changes at two other existing bulk substations (Branford and Green Hill)." Does CL&P seek to include these changes in this docket or would CL&P apply later as a petition? If these changes are included in this docket, respond to the following:
 - a) Describe what is involved to change the protective relay system.
 - b) Provide a drawing of the Branford substation and the Green Hill substation and depict the proposed installations on each respective drawing.
 - c) Would these protective relay system changes result in any increased visual impact or noise? Would these changes increase magnetic fields at the respective substation fence lines?
2. Would any fuels or hazardous materials be stored at the proposed substation? If yes, provide the best management practices for managing such materials.
3. Would any blasting be required during the construction of the substation?
4. Would any equipment, supplies, or materials be stored at the proposed substation?
5. Would there be any impulse noise from switching operations, circuit breakers, or other sources? Describe events that would cause impulse noise. How frequently would such events occur?
6. Why does the proposed access drive fork into two drives when it reaches the proposed substation? Is this to allow a mobile transformer to be driven in and out of the substation in the event one is needed?
7. Connecticut General Statutes § 16-50o(b) states that "The applicant shall submit into the record the full text of the terms of any agreement, and a statement of any consideration therefor, if not contained in such agreement, entered into by the applicant and any party to the certification proceeding, or any third party, in connection with the construction or operation of the facility. This provision shall not require the public disclosure of proprietary information or trade secrets." Provide copies of any such agreements, if applicable.

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